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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: TBIO, TS SUBJ: LAETRILE

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- 1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED USE OF LAETRILE IN TUNISIA WITH DIRECTOR OF PHARMACIE CENTRALE (GOVT MONOPOLY IMPORTER AND MANUFACTURER OF PHARMACEUTICALS) AND DIRECTOR OF CANCER INSTITUTE. BOTH STATE THAT LAETRILE UNKNOWN IN TUNISIA, NOT IN USE NOR LICENSED FOR USE. NEITHER WAS WELL INFORMED ON SUBJECT OF LAETRILE.
- 2. ALL NEW DRUGS INTRODUCED INTO TUNISIA MUST BE TESTED AND APPROVED FOR USE BY THE PHARMACIE CENTRALE. STANDARDS ARE REPORTED TO BE RIGOROUS.
- 3. FYI: INQUIRIES NECESSARY TO RESPOND REFTEL HAVE ALSO SUCCEEDED IN PIQUING INTEREST AMONG TUNISIAN OFFICIALS IN POSSIBLE USES AND CURATIVE VALUE OF LAETRILE AS A TREATMENT FOR CANCER. END FTWU MULCAHY

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